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Quick Summary of Unemployment Rate:		
United States	8.1%	
State of Tennessee	8.3%	
City of Kingsport	7.8%	
Sullivan County	7.1%	
Hawkins County	7.3%	
Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA MSA	7.1%	
Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA CSA	7.1%	

Lowest County Unemployment Rates

Rank	County	Dec. pre. Rate (%)
1	Williamson Co.	5.4
2	Lincoln Co.	5.4
3	Knox Co.	5.9
4	Washington Co.	6.6
5	Wilson Co.	6.7
6	Blount Co.	6.7
7	Rutherford Co.	6.7
8	Sumner Co.	6.9
9	Davidson Co.	6.9
10	Sullivan Co.	7.1

Highest County Unemployment Rates

Rank	County	Dec. pre. Rate (%)
95	Scott Co.	18.8
94	Union City, TN-KY M	15.3
93	Pickett Co.	14.9
92	Polk Co.	13.1
91	Perry Co.	12.5
90	Monroe Co.	12.5
89	Lauderdale Co.	12.5
88	Haywood Co.	12.2
87	Marshall Co.	12.2
86	Weakley Co.	12.1

CITY OF KINGSFORT	2006	2010	2011	Change (between 2006 and latest available data)	Change 2010-2011
Unemployment Rate	5.6%	8.6%	7.8%	2.2%	-0.8%
Construction Value***	\$88,560,394	\$68,017,382	\$52,592,528	-23.2%	-22.7%
Population**	44,758	48,205	50,851	7.7%	5.5%
Labor Force	19,090	19,430	19,660	3.0%	1.2%
Employed	18,030	17,760	18,130	0.6%	2.1%
Unemployed	1,060	1,670	1,530	44.3%	-8.4%

Unemployment (sorted low to high)	2006	2010	2011	Change 2006-2011	Change 2010-2011
Carter County	4.2%	9.3%	7.7%	3.5%	-1.6%
Maryville, City of	5.8%	8.1%	6.6%	0.8%	-1.5%
Greene County	7.1%	12.2%	10.8%	3.7%	-1.4%
Johnson City MSA	4.1%	8.4%	7.1%	3.0%	-1.3%
Hawkins County	4.6%	8.5%	7.3%	2.7%	-1.2%
Morristown, City of	6.6%	11.4%	10.2%	3.6%	-1.2%
Cleveland, City of	4.6%	9.2%	8.0%	3.4%	-1.2%
Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol CSA	4.1%	8.2%	7.1%	3.0%	-1.1%
Johnson City, City of	3.8%	7.6%	6.5%	2.7%	-1.1%
Washington County	3.9%	7.7%	6.6%	2.7%	-1.1%
Kingsport-Bristol MSA	4.1%	8.1%	7.1%	3.0%	-1.0%
U.S. unemployment	4.3%	9.1%	8.1%	3.8%	-1.0%
Oak Ridge, City of	3.8%	7.8%	7.0%	3.2%	-0.8%
Tennessee, State of	4.4%	9.1%	8.3%	3.9%	-0.8%
Sullivan County	3.9%	7.6%	7.1%	3.2%	-0.5%
Bristol (TN), City of	3.9%	7.4%	8.2%	4.3%	0.8%

Green = Positive

Yellow = Cautiously Optimistic

Red = Negative

**Available in July of following year, estimated for current year

***As reported on Building Permits